

**What is claimed is:**

1           1. A method for controlling a positioning  
2 device of an internal combustion engine, the method  
3 comprising the steps of:  
4           detecting a commanded position of said  
5 positioning, device;  
6           detecting a sensed position of said positioning  
7 device;  
8           forming a dynamic feedforward term based upon  
9 said commanded position; and  
10           forming a control action based upon said dynamic  
11 feedforward term.

1           2. The method as recited in claim 1, further  
2 comprising the step of enabling said dynamic  
3 feedforward term for a first encountered step change  
4 in throttle position command.

1           3. The method as recited in claim 2, further  
2 comprising the step of disabling said dynamic  
3 feedforward term after said step change in throttle  
4 position command.

1           4. The method as recited in claim 3, further  
2 comprising the step of re-enabling said dynamic  
3 feedforward term for a large step.

1           5. The method as recited in claim 4, wherein  
2 said large step comprises a step larger than 0.75  
3 degrees.

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1           6. The method as recited in claim 4, further  
2 comprising the step of re-enabling said dynamic  
3 feedforward term when no step input changes for a  
4 predetermined period of time.

1           7. The method as recited in claim 6, said  
2 predetermined period of time is approximately sixteen  
3 milliseconds.

1           8. The method as recited in claim 7, further  
2 comprising the step of re-enabling said dynamic  
3 feedforward term when a requested step input changes  
4 sign.

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